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Dear [REDACTED] 25X1C

Our NIE schedule did not permit me to realize the contents of your memorandum of 10 August 1959. I apologize. Last week we had a meeting on the subject and there were quite a few different views, such as too many meetings, but there should be one on SAMs, etc.

We do not know what the NIE schedule will be this coming year. I hope to split it up to offensive, defensive and space. Meetings on these subjects should precede the estimate. Additionally we expect to have to review certain parts of the estimate.

We should get our draft estimate out within the week. Although a relief, lots of other things have piled up.

As you know, we haven't done so well in the gaps paper. I would oppose the next conference recommending anyone do anything!

I am not certain of your schedule while you are in the US, but there are lots of interesting items to discuss for a day or so.

Yours sincerely,

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